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Preparedness Program

- 1) KDHE Preparedness is pulling together the final version of our grant application which will need to be submitted by April 4, 2017. Thanks to all our internal and external partners who have supported us in providing information as we've been developing the application.
- 2) KDHE Preparedness met with the KALHD Board, several regional coordinators and local public health staff at the last KALHD Board Meeting to discuss the Local and Regional Public Health Work Plans. Based on the feedback we received the work plans have been modified slightly and will be sent to KALHD for review so they can decide whether or not to issue a concurrence letter for the grant application. This is an application requirement.
- 3) The number of KS-HAN users is nearly equal to the number of users we had before switching over to the new software in early January. Continued outreach efforts regarding the HAN system will continue.
- 4) KDHE Preparedness interviewed for the two open positions in the preparedness group Exercise Coordinator and Grants Management Support positions. We anticipate making an offer for the Grants Management Support position. The Exercise Coordinator position will be re-posted as no satisfactory applicants were interviewed.

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Local Public Health Program

KARP--each LHD will develop an individualized plan to make progress on the 8 prerequisites Conference

Reduced rate for preconference thanks to MPHTC

Questions about budget—fill out salary portion first—worksheet to avoid over-allocation

- Some programs carried their budgets over—easiest thing to do is delete salary portion
- Question in state formula about amounts of LHD budget from state, federal, etc.—if it comes from KDHE, consider it state
- For state formula, first year using Survey Monkey—if you make a mistake or want to change something after you have submitted it, e-mail me—we will have to correct it on our end.

Deb Nickels

KS-TRAIN

Preparedness Training Information on KS-TRAIN:

- a. Please visit the Kansas Division of Emergency Management (KDEM) training information on the [KS-TRAIN Calendar](#) or the [KDEM Training Calendar](#) for a full list of upcoming learning opportunities. New sessions for G300 and G400 have been added for April, May and June. Training sites include Frontenac, Liberal, Hillsboro, Dodge City and Newton. Remember when you enroll in G300 and G400 courses, KDEM will be reviewing your TRAIN Transcript for listings of the Emergency Management Institute required Independent Study courses: 700, 100, 200 and 800. To have the Independent Study courses verified complete on your TRAIN Transcript see the [FEMA IS Completion Instructions](#).
 - **KDEM Trng: (G300) Intermediate Incident Command System Course for Expanding Incidents, Course ID# 1067262**
 - **KDEM Trng (G400) Advanced Incident Command System Course for Command General Staff, Complex Incidents, and MACS, Course ID# 1067267**
- b. **KDHE-BCHS: Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) - Training, Use and Practice for Health and Medical Personnel**, Course ID# **1068137**: The proper, routine and deliberate use of personal protective equipment is a key component of keeping Kansas health and medical personnel safe while responding to a

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disaster or treating a patient. Proper and diligent use of PPE is important on a daily basis – not only when responding to patients known to have a highly contagious virus or disease. The Civil Support Team (CST) of the National Guard and the Kansas Department of Health and Environment will provide this training in:

- Manhattan, April 17
- Wichita, June 6

- c. **KDHE-BCHS: Ebola Risk Communications Training**, Course ID# **1065100** is for the Local Health Department Public Information Officers and applicable KDHE staff participating in the Center for Disease Control and Prevention Preparedness Ebola Supplemental Grant. If you have questions about the training please contact Elisa Nehrbass at enehrbass@kdheks.gov or call 785-296-1882. The final training locations and dates are:
Topeka, March 29
Garden City, April 5
- d. A **Regional Coordinator Workshop**, is being held on May 4, for the hospital and public health regional coordinators to review the 2017-2022 FOA, regional and local work plan items, and exercise requirements. For those regions without a coordinator, the representative of the region is welcome to attend. Webinars for local health departments and hospitals will be made available during May/June to provide information on the work plans. More information on the webinars will be provided soon. Questions can be directed to Elisa.Nehrbass@ks.gov.
- e. The **KDHE-Preparedness: 2017 Statewide Ebola Meeting**, Course ID# **1069703**, will be held April 21 in Topeka. The goals of this meeting is to provide a status update of the Kansas Ebola Response Plan and to prep for the May 3, Regional Ebola Virtual TTX being hosted by the Nebraska Health and Human Services. Questions about this upcoming training should be directed to David Marshall, David.Marshall@ks.gov or call 785-296-5201.
- f. The **Regional Preparedness Healthcare Coalition Meetings** are posted to KS-TRAIN at <http://ks.train.org> for registration through the end of the grant year. If you do not see your regional meeting on the TRAIN calendar please contact the regional coordinator for the next meeting date.

SEKS Healthcare Coalition Meeting, Course ID #1059500 (TBA, Chanute)

NEKS Healthcare Coalition Meeting, Course ID #1059234 (TBA, Topeka)

SWKS Hospital Emergency Response Team HPP Healthcare Coalition, Course ID #1059224 (TBA Garden City)

NWKS Healthcare Coalition Meeting, Course ID #1064649 (April 12, Hays)

NCKS Healthcare Coalition Meeting, Course ID #1059634 (April 21, Salina)

Kansas Metro Regional Healthcare Coalition Meeting, Course ID #1059303 (TBA, Kansas City area)

SCKS Health Care Coalition Meeting, Course ID #1064922 (May 17, Wichita)

Online Course Announcements:

- a. **KDHE: Ebola and Other Infectious Diseases - Cleaning and Disinfecting Procedures (1067247)** is a one hour online course that was developed to meet public health workforce competency requirements and Public Health Emergency Preparedness, Local Public Health Ebola Supplemental Grant deliverables. The course is also beneficial for new employee orientation training, or as a refresher for healthcare personnel. At the conclusion of the training you will be able to apply the proper cleaning and disinfecting procedures for the Ebola virus and other infectious diseases.
- b. **CASPER: A Rapid Needs Assessment Tool - WB2390**, Course ID# 1057666 from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, will provide a recommended rapid needs assessment framework, to enable states/locals to better respond to and recover from any disaster, whether man-made or natural. This course has continuing education credit for nurses, physicians, health educators, pharmacists and others.
- c. Other Kansas developed on line courses recently posted to KS-TRAIN: More information on these new courses will be included in the April edition of [Public Health Connections](#).

Successfully Dealing with Challenging Customers, Course ID# **1069122**

KDHE: School Bullying Policy Analysis: A Toolkit for Schools, Course ID# **1064735**

Performing a Thorough Medication Reconciliation, Course ID#**1069424**

Qualified Interpreting for Quality Health Care: A Training Video for Clinical Staff on How to Work with Interpreters, Course ID# **1069374**

TRAIN 3.0 News:

KS-TRAIN will be navigating to a new TRAIN platform in September. You can login to www.train.org to view the changes at the national level and try the new system out on your smart phone! There are a number of features of the TRAIN system that are being updated/enhanced, like the calendar which will be available in May.

General Information:

The April issue of Public Health Connections will be coming out soon, http://www.kdheks.gov/olrh/public_health_connections.htm. If you are not on the Public Health Connections distribution list please email PHC@kdheks.gov and request to be added to the distribution list serve.

Each month a TRAIN email goes out to regional coordinators and other identified training partners on up-coming **live** training that is scheduled for the following month. If you would like to receive this monthly email please send your email address to Debbie.Nickels@ks.gov.

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